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# Announcements

*revisions*

- Module 1 ~~drafts~~ due next time (11 AM)
- Vacuum aspirators contain bleach for biohazardous waste (i.e., cells)
  - after bleach treatment, these go down the sink
- Chemical waste and sink-safe chemicals should not be aspirated
  - the former is a safety risk, the latter just a hassle

## Module 2 Overview

- So far: designed new  $P_{lux-\lambda}$   
cloned into IPK-sensitive system
- Next: test clones for correctness  
transform into edge detector base strain  
get new truth table ( $\beta$ -gal assay)
- Why: genetic reduce  $P_{lux-\lambda}$  leakiness  
physical improved contrast b/w edge + background
- Enrich understanding w/ modeling + transfer functions

# Transformation Controls + Outcomes

Sample	Expectation... What if?	Role
No DNA	Ø w/ many? contamination w/ other cells, no antibiotic, plates went bad	(-) control DNA (mutation);
+ pED-IPTG-INS	many w/ none? killed cells; too little DNA; wrong antibiotic	(+) control
+ Bkb Ligation	few-some w/ many? uncut and/or singly cut plasmid	digestion control
+ Bkb/Ins Ligation	some-many w/ way << (+)? low conc. DNA	expt'l

# *E. Coli* growth curve

liquid culture

cell  
 $P$

$t=0$

\*  
mid-  
log

log  
phase

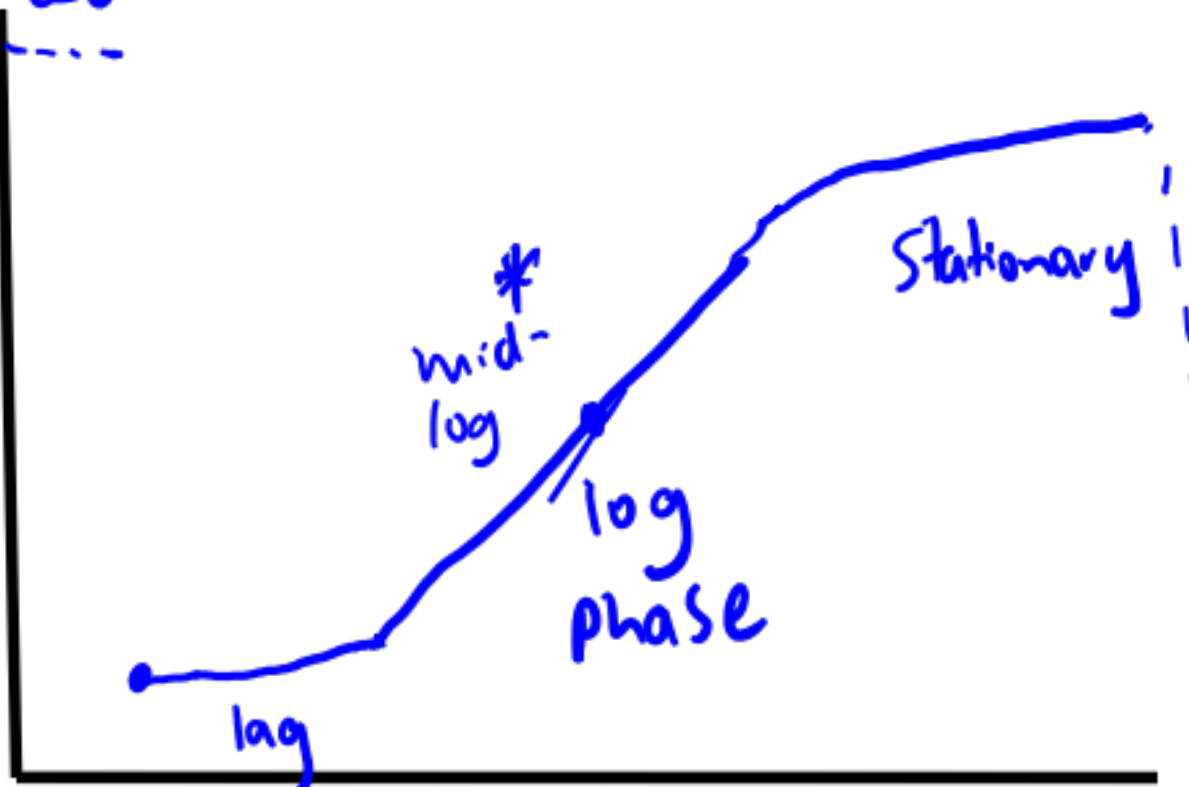
Stationary

lag

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time

log  
scale



# Bacterial Strains

Strain:	XL1-Blue	JW3367c
Function	amplify DNA	work w/ edge detector strain
Relevant genotype	<p>recA - no genetic recombination  → stable plasmid</p> <p>endA<sup>-</sup> endonuclease(-)  → intact plasmid</p>	<p>ΔlacZ no background  → black pigment</p> <p>ΔenvZ no cross-talk w/ CphQ  ↓  fusion EnvZ/CphI</p>

# Extracting DNA from XL1-Blue

*Miniprep*

Step	Contains	Purpose
Prepare	EDTA Buffer, glucose	→ weaken cell envelope → otherwise stable
Lyse	SDS <i>~</i> $\text{Na}^+$ NaOH	solubilize lipids (membrane), proteins ds → ss DNA ○ ○
Neutralize	Acetic acid/KAc	pH to neutral, precipitate SDS ↓ genomic DNA crashes out, plasmid remains ○
Transfer	N/A	* supernatant * isolate plasmid
Wash, collect	A) Column B) EtOH, dry	- better purity - precipitate DNA, resuspend

## Today in Lab (M2D5)

- Obtain JW3367c in mid-log phase, make competent
  - 1 hour incubation
- Extract DNA from three candidate clones
- Transform JW3367c with the extracted DNA
  - ½ hour incubation
- During incubation(s): count colonies and set up sequencing rxns